EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of Care New England not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, marital status, genetic information, disability or protected veteran status or any other status protected by Federal, State, or local laws.

It is also the policy of Care New England to take affirmative action to employ and to advance in employment, all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, marital status, genetic information, disability or protected veteran status, and to base all employment decisions only on valid job requirements. This policy shall apply to all employment actions, including but not limited to recruitment, hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, recall, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training, including apprenticeship, at all levels of employment.

Employees and applicants of Care New England will not be subject to harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, marital status, genetic information, disability or because of the status as a protected veteran. Additionally, retaliation, including intimidation, threats, or coercion, because an employee or applicant has objected to discrimination, engaged, or may engage in filing a complaint, assisted in a review, investigation, or hearing or have otherwise sought to obtain their legal rights under any Federal, State, or local EEO law is prohibited.

As President and Chief Executive Officer of Care New England, I am committed to the principles of Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity. In order to ensure dissemination and implementation of Equal Employment Opportunity and affirmative action throughout all levels of the company, I have selected Arnold Avila Jr. as the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Manager for Care New England. One of the EEO Manager's duties will be to establish and maintain internal audit and reporting systems to allow for effective measurement of Care New England's programs.

In furtherance of Care New England's policy regarding Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity, Care New England has developed a written Affirmative Action Program which sets forth the policies, practices, and procedures that Care New England is committed to in order to ensure that its policy of nondiscrimination and affirmative action is accomplished. This Affirmative Action Program is available in the Human Resources office for inspection by any employee or applicant for employment upon request, during normal business hours. Interested persons should contact Arnold Avila Jr. at 401-680-4321 for assistance.

Michael Wagner, MD FACP President & CEO January 2023